BIG CHALLENGE. BIGGER OPPORTUNITY.

2021 CFA Institute Research Challenge

OVERVIEW

The CFA Institute Research Challenge is a great test for all students who are bold enough to face it. But, like any great challenge, the opportunities and rewards it offers are even greater.

This annual global equity research competition provides university students with hands-on mentoring and intensive training in financial analysis. Working in teams, students will gain real-world experience as they assume the role of research analyst and are judged on their ability to value a stock, write a research report, and present their recommendations. Students will compete with peers from other schools to see who will become the local, regional, and global champions.

HOW THE CHALLENGE WORKS?

CFA Society Singapore will work with universities to assemble teams of three to five undergraduate and/or graduate students. Teams research and analyze a designated publicly traded company; prepare a written report on that company that supports a buy, sell, or hold recommendation; receive advice and support from a faculty advisor and an industry mentor; and present and defend their findings to a panel of industry experts.

Winners from the local competitions advance to subregional competitions, then on to regional competitions in the Americas, Asia, and Europe, culminating in a global final.

2020 RESEARCH CHALLENGE PARTICIPATION

6,400+ Students
4,000+ Volunteers
1,100+ Universities
150+ CFA Societies
121 Local Challenges
98 Countries

BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION

- Showcase your university on a global scale
- Augment classroom learning
- Provide career opportunities for students
- Give students practical training equity research and exposure to industry experts
- Networking with professionals, peers from other universities, and others in the community
- Elevate your school reputation and standing against competing schools.

JOIN US AT 2021 CFA INSTITUTE RESEARCH CHALLENGE KICKOFF MEETING (17 OCT 2020)

CFA Society Singapore will be hosting Kickoff Meeting on 17 October for students and faculty interested in learning more about the CFA Institute Research Challenge.
Frequently Asked Questions

What are the Team Member Requirements:

Each Team:

1. Must consist of undergraduate, graduate, or a combination of undergraduate and graduate students. Team members must be currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program at the sponsoring university at time of the local level kickoff meeting.

2. Must consist of no fewer than three and no more than five members.

3. Can have no alternates. If a team loses one of its members, that member can be replaced no later than two weeks prior to the submission of the written report at the local level. If a team falls below three registered members after this date, they will not be eligible to continue in the competition.

4. Agree to abide by the CFA Institute Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct.

How can I register?

1. Find out if university participates by asking the professor or contacting CFA Society Singapore.

2. If university does participate, contact faculty advisor and ask for details on how to become a team member.

3. If university has not participate before, ask a professor to become the faculty advisor.

4. The faculty advisor should contact CFA Society Singapore for more information.

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When is the Challenge?

Locally hosted Challenges are held September - February of each year.

Sub-Regional and Regional Finals are held March-April, followed by the Global Final in April.

How is the Research Challenge different from a “stock picking” Competition?

Students conduct in-depth analysis on a single company and produce a full equity research report. The winning team is chosen based on the thoroughness of its analysis and knowledge of one company, rather than whether their predictions of the stock price are correct.

KEY DATES

2021 CFA Institute Research Challenge Kickoff Meeting

17 October 2020
Platform: Virtual
Time: 9am to 12pm

2021 CFA Institute Research Challenge (Local Final) - Submission of Written Report

19 February 2021

2021 CFA Institute Research Challenge (Local Final) - Submission of Presentation

25 February 2021

2021 CFA Institute Research Challenge (Local Final)

27 February 2021

SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY

Don’t miss out this exciting opportunity to accelerate the learning of your students while giving your university a great exposure on a local, national, and global stage.

Scan here to find out more details about the 2021 CFA Institute Research Challenge!